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Attorney Docket No. 000166.0075-US04 UTILITY First Inventor Shawn L. Lyons PATENT APPLICATION APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PREPARING TRANSMITTAL Title **MICROPARTICLES** (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Express Mail Label No. MS Patent Application **APPLICATION ELEMENTS** Commissioner for Patents ADDRESS TO: See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Program (Appendix) Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission Applicant claims small entity status. 8. See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) 3. X Specification [Total Pages 32 Computer Readable Form (CRF) (preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention b. Specification Sequence Listing on: Cross Reference to Related Applications
 Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or Paper Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix Statements verifying identity of above copies - Background of the Invention ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS - Brief Summary of the Invention Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 Detailed Description 9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) - Claim(s) 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of 10. - Abstract of the Disclosure (when there is an assignee) 4. X Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 11. English Translation Document (if applicable) Information Disclosure Copies of IDS 5. Oath or Declaration **ITotal Sheets** 12. Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations Newly executed (original or copy) 13. Preliminary Amendment Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) Х 14. ntinuation/divisional with Box 18 completed (Should be specifically itemized) Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) 15. (if foreign priority is claimed) Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). named in the prior application 16. see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent Revocation of Prior Power of Attorney and 17. Other: Appointment of New Attorneys of Record 6. X Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 filed in prior Appl. No. 10/355,061 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: x Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 10/355,061 S. Acquah 1711 Prior application information: Examiner Art Unit: For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation <u>can only</u> be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. 19. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS X Customer Number: 26853 Correspondence address below Name **COVINGTON & BURLING** Address 1201 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW 20004-2401 City Washington D.C. Zip Code Country USA Telephone 202.662.6000 202.662.6291 Fax Name (Print/Type) Apdrea G. Reister Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 36,253

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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Charge fee(s) indicated below X Credit any overpayments	1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification			
Charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s)	1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination			
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1. BASIC FILING FEE	1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month			
Large Entity Small Entity	1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month			
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1002 340 2002 170 Design filing fee	1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal			
1003 530 2003 265 Plant filing fee	1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal			
1004 770 2004 385 Reissue filing fee	1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing			
1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee	1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding			
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)			
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Large Entity Small Entity	1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt			
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1202 18 2202 9 Claims in excess of 20	1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection			
1201 86 2201 43 Independent claims in excess of 3					(37 CFR 1.129(a)) For each additional invention to be			
1203 290 2203 145 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	1810	770	2810	385	examined (37CFR 1.129(b))			
1204 86 2204 43 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent	1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)			
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

MS Patent Application

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following items for filing in connection with the above-referenced Patent Application:

- 1. Fee Transmittal;
- 2. Utility Patent Application Transmittal;
- 3. Application Data Sheet;
- 4. Utility application comprising: 27 pages of description; four pages of claims (30 claims); a one page abstract; and seven sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-2, 3A-3C and 4-7);
- 5. Copy of the Supplemental Declaration for Utility Patent Application (37 CFR 1.67) filed in prior Appl. No. 10/355,061;

6. Copy of the Revocation of Prior Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Attorneys of Record filed in prior Appl. No. 10/355,061;

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- 7. Copy of the Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) filed in prior Appl. No. 10/355,061;
- 8. Information Disclosure Statement;
- 9. Form PTO/SB/08a/b;
- 10. Check No. 320679 for \$950.00 to cover:\$770.00 basic filing fee;\$180.00 additional claims fee; and
- 11. Two return receipt postcards.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740, under Docket No. 000166.0075-US04. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740.

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